IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA WESTERN DIVISION No. 5:10-HC-2120-BO

ANTON JOHNSON,)	
	Petitioner,)	
v.)	ORDER
TRACY W. JOHNS,)	
	Respondent.)	

On June 17, 2010, Anton Johnson ("Johnson" or "petitioner") filed a petition for writ of habeas corpus [D.E. 1] under 28 U.S. C. § 2241 ("§ 2241"), challenging his present confinement under 18 U.S.C. § 4248 ("§ 4248"). On June 28, 2010, Johnson filed an amended petition [D.E. 4], in response to the court's notice of deficiencies in the original filing.

The United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit's recent decision in <u>Timms v. Johns</u>, No. 10-6496, 2010 WL 4925395 (4th. Cir. Dec. 6, 2010), held that a person against whom a § 4248 action has been initiated must exhaust all remedies within the § 4248 action prior to seeking a writ of habeas corpus under § 2241. Because the § 4248 action against petitioner in this case remains pending in this court (<u>See United States v. Johnson</u>, No. 5:09-HC-2045-BO), petitioner has not exhausted all remedies within the § 4248 action.

Accordingly, the petition for writ of habeas corpus as amended [D.E. 1, 4] is hereby DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE. The government's motion to dismiss [D.E. 12] is hereby DENIED AS MOOT. The Clerk is DIRECTED to CLOSE the case.

SO ORDERED. This **d**day of January 2011.

TERRENCE W. BOYLE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE